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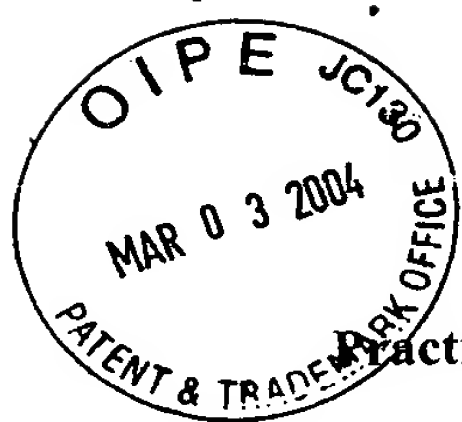


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Ser. No.: 09/698,596

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Filed: October 27, 2000

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For: METHOD FOR DISINFECTING CONTACT LENS AND DISINFECTING LIQUID FOR
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Applicants respectfully request the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to provide written acknowledgment of receipt of the Claim for Priority and certified copy of the priority document which were filed November 28, 2000, as evidenced by the attached postcard acknowledgment of receipt from the U.S. PTO.

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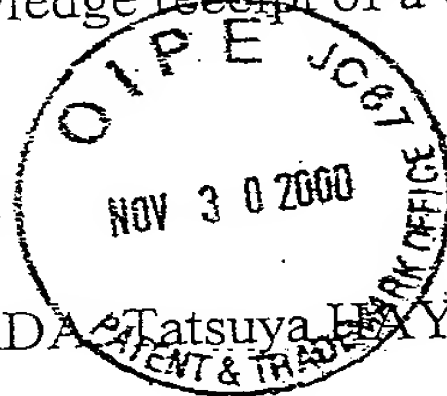
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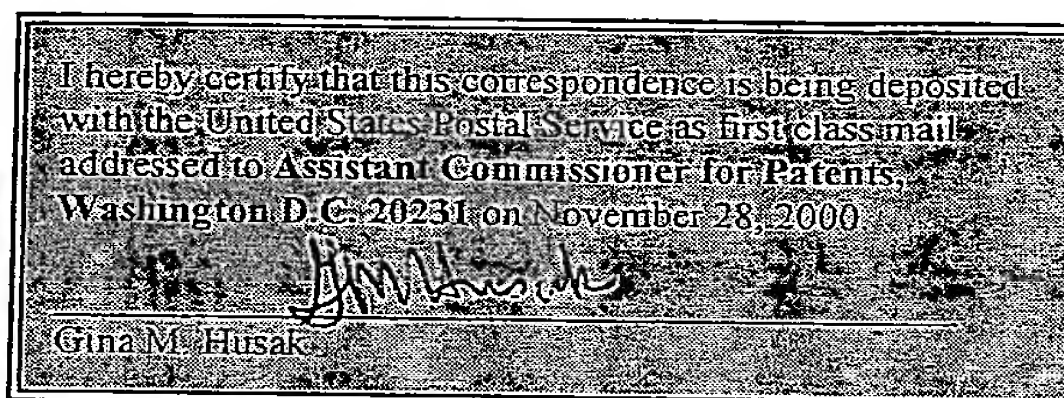
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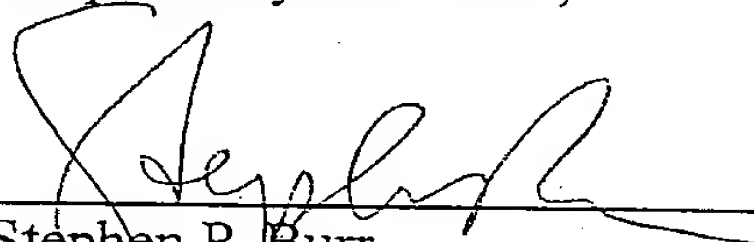
Japanese Applications 11-311487 and 2000-292664 filed November 1, 1999 and September 26, 2000, respectively.

In support of this claim, certified copies of the Japanese Applications are enclosed herewith.

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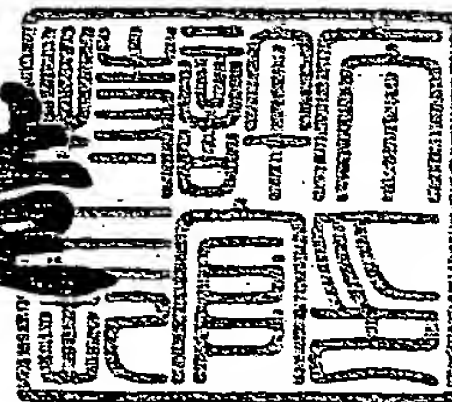
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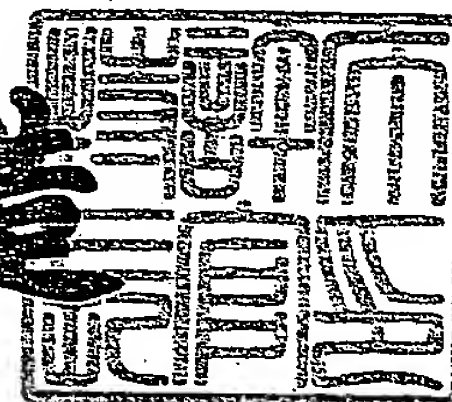
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